

H. C. R. No. 34.] CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Authorizing and directing the State Printing Board to contract for a reprint of such appellate court reports as are now out of print, and also such as may hereafter become out of print, or nearly so; and providing certain conditions and limitations in relation to such contract, and the manner of letting the same.

Whereas, many of the volumes of the Supreme Court reports of the State of Texas are now out of print, and the State's supply therefor has been exhausted; and

Whereas, many other volumes of said reports are now nearly exhausted, and doubtless will be entirely so at no very distant time; and

Whereas, other volumes of which a sufficient supply is now on hand are likely to become insufficient to supply the demand therefor; and

Whereas, the State owns and has on hand the stereotyped plates for many of said volumes; and will have others; and

Whereas, the State Printing Board is without authority to contract for a reprint of said reports; therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the State Printing Board be and the same is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to make such contract or contracts as may be necessary to secure a reprint of such of said reports as are now exhausted, or nearly so, and such as may hereafter become exhausted, or nearly so; provided, that the reprinting of said reports shall be done without cost to the State; and provided, further, that such contract or contracts shall stipulate that the State and the publisher or publishers of said reports shall sell the same at the same price, such price not to exceed the sum of two dollars (\$2.00) per volume, and such volume to be printed and bound in a style equally as good as the current numbers of said reports; and provided, further, that this resolution shall also apply to the Courts of Civil Appeals reports and the Court of Criminal Appeals reports, should said Board find a reprint thereof advisable and necessary; and provided, further, that such contract shall be let to the best bidder after such publication for bids therefor as the said Board may think proper, and shall require that said reports be printed within this State.

Approved, May 22, 1897.

S. J. R. No. 13.] JOINT RESOLUTION.

To amend Section 24, of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

SECTION 1. *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:* That Section 24, of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be so amended as hereafter to read as follows:

Section 24. The members of the Legislature shall receive from the public treasury such compensation for their services as may from time to time be provided by law, not exceeding five dollars per day for the first one hundred days of each session, and after that, not exceeding three dollars per day for the remainder of the session. In addition to the per

diem, the members of each house shall be entitled to mileage in going to and returning from the seat of government, which mileage shall not exceed five dollars for every twenty-five miles, the distance to be computed by the nearest and most direct route of travel by land, regardless of railways or other routes; and the Comptroller of the State shall prepare and preserve a table of distances to each county seat now or hereafter to be established, and by such table the mileage of each member shall be paid; but no member shall be entitled to mileage for any extra session that may be called within one day after the adjournment of a regular or called session.

SEC. 2. The governor is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of Texas, at the next general election, at which election all voters favoring the amendment shall have written or printed on their tickets, "For amendment to Section 24, of Article 3, of the Constitution of Texas, relating to compensation of members of the legislature," and those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their tickets, "Against amendment to Section 24, of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the compensation of members of the legislature."

[NOTE.—The foregoing joint resolution passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 21, nays 1; and passed the House with amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 89, nays 7; and being referred to a free conference committee, the report of said committee was adopted by a two-thirds vote in both houses, the vote being, in the Senate, yeas 24, nays 4, in the House, yeas 90, nays 16.]

[NOTE.—The foregoing joint resolution was presented to the Governor of Texas for his approval, on Thursday, the twentieth day of May, A. D. 1897, but was not signed by him nor returned to the house in which it originated with his objections thereto within the time prescribed by the Constitution, and thereupon became a law without his signature.—J. W. MADDEN, Secretary of State.]

H. J. R. No. 34.] JOINT RESOLUTION.

To amend Section 51, of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to authorize the grant of aid to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers and sailors, and their widows, and to grant aid to the establishment and maintenance of a home for said soldiers and sailors.

SECTION 1. *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:* That Section 51, of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

ARTICLE 3.

Section 51. The legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any grant of public money to any individual, associations or individuals, municipal or other corporations whatsoever; provided, however, the legislature may grant aid to indigent and dis-